THE HISTORY OF THE BROTHERHOOD or GUILD OF THE *HOLY GHOST*, IN THE Chapel of the *Holy Ghoſt* NEAR BASINGSTOKE in *Hampſhire*; Diſſolved by King EDWARD VI, AND Re-eſtabliſh'd by K. *Philip* and Q. *Mary*.

Wherein is contain'd

The HISTORY and ANTIQUITIES of *Holy Ghoſt* Chapel near *Baſingſtoke*, and an ENQUIRY into the PATRONAGE of that Chapel. With an ACCOUNT of another RELIGIOUS HOUSE founded at the ſame Place by King *Henry* III.

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PRerogative-Office, London. Sir *James Dean*'s Will was proved *June* 13, 1608. Upon a careful Perusal of Sir *J. D*'s Will in this Office, I don't find that the printed Extract any where differs from it, except in the Manner of ſpelling ſome Words, as *Times* for *Tymes*, *been* for *bin*, *&c.* And in *pag.* 35. *l.* 25. read *Maſters*.

In Sir *J. L*'s Will, *pag.* 38. *l.* 10. from the Bottom read *Wardens, Lecturer and the Bailiffs*. In *pag.* 40. *l.* 4. from the Bottom, read *which ſhall ſtudy*. In *pag.* 41. *l.* 14. read *Diſcretions*. The Words that are printed in *old Engliſh Characters*, and were ſuppoſed to be wanting, are in the Wills.

ERRATA.

In *pag.* 10. *l.* 2. from the Bottom, read *made into*. *Pag.* 11. *l.* 3. from the Bottom, for *Conveyanec*, read *Conveyance*. In the Margin of *Pag.* 13. for 1546 read 1547. *Pag.* 27. *l.* 21. for *præſentes*, read *præſentes*. *Pag.* 30. *l.* 18. for *pertinentiis*, read *pertinentiis*.

TO THE

RIGHT HONOURABLE

PHILIP

Lord HARDWICK, &c.

Lord High Chancellor

AND

LORD KEEPER of the GREAT SEAL;

One of His MAJESTY's moſt honourable Privy-Council, &c.

My LORD,

I Beg Leave to lay before your LORDSHIP theſe Papers, which contain an Account of a ſmall Preferment in your LORDSHIP's Gift.

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As your LORDSHIP is to be Judge of the Merit of the Perſon who applies for a Nomination thereto, the Truſt cannot be depoſited in better Hands.

YOUR great Abilities, equal to the Importance of the Charge, aſſiduous Application to the Diſpatch of Buſineſs, and ſtrict Obſervance of Juſtice and Equity, in every Thing that is brought before your LORDSHIP, make it a national Happineſs, that your LORDSHIP fills that honourable Poſt, in which you are, ſo deſervedly and ſo beneficially to the Nation, placed.

BUT more particularly happy is it for the Church of *England*, that it has ſuch a Patron to fill up a conſiderable Number of Vacancies therein. By carefully enquiring into the Characters

Characters of thoſe who apply to your Lordſhip for Eccleſiaſtical Preferment, as you prevent unworthy Perſons getting into thoſe Benefices, in the Diſpoſal of which your LORDSHIP is any way concerned, ſo likewiſe the Value of the Favours, you confer, is thereby enhanced; it being a Credit, and a great Addition to a good Character, to have been preferred by ſo judicious and diſcerning a Patron as your LORDSHIP.

As the Affair which is the Subject of the following ſhort Hiſtory, was ſome Time ago before your Lordſhip, you are, *My LORD*, better acquainted with ſome Particulars relating thereto, than I can poſſibly be after the moſt diligent Enquiry; if I have made any Miſtake, or am guilty of any Error, I hope for

Pardon from your Lordſhip's Candour; and am,

My LORD,

Your LORDSHIP's

Moſt obedient and

BASINGSTOKE, 1742.

Moſt humble Servant,

SAMUEL LOGGON.

PREFACE.

AN Attempt to clear the Affair here treated of, from that Darkneſs and Uncertainty with which it has been covered over, if it deſerves no Commendation, will, I hope, eſcape Cenſure. Something of this Kind ſeems to have been wanting and neceſſary: becauſe all our Antiquaries, who have mentioned it, have either given a falſe or imperfect Account thereof; which ſhews that they were Strangers to the true Hiſtory of it.

An expenſive Enquiry might have diſcovered ſome more Particulars relating to my Lord Sandes's *Foundation; but ſuch Enquiry would have been but of little Uſe: becauſe that Society having been regularly diſſolved by Act of Parliament, and the Eſtate*

Eſtate for many Years in the Hands of the Crown, the Brotherhood that had their Majeſties King Philip *and Queen* Mary *for their Founders, (tho' they had the ſame Eſtate granted to them, that the other enjoyed) was a Body as diſtinct from t'other, as if the Endowment of each had been different Eſtates. And all Statutes, Rules, or Orders made by Lord* Sandes *and the Biſhop of* Wincheſter, *by Virtue of the Licence granted to them by King* Henry VIII, *were unobligatory to the Body conſtituted by the Charter of King* Philip *and Queen* Mary.

I beg Leave to detain my Reader, while I give a ſhort Account of the following Collection, who will poſſibly think ſome Parts of it deficient, others ſuperfluous.

1. *As I propoſed only giving the Hiſtory of the Fraternity of the* Holy Ghoſt *at* Baſingſtoke *in* Hants, *what is ſaid of the Hoſpital, in the firſt Section, was unneceſſary: But*

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as the latter ſeems to have been ſometimes taken for the former, inſerting it was not quite foreign to my Purpoſe.

2. *The Account of the Founder's Family will perhaps be thought to be too particular: which was there given in that manner, becauſe not long ſince (as I have been told) ſome Deſcendents of the Founder thought themſelves to have a Property in the Chapel built by Lord* Sandes. *But all Right and Property of that Family in the Chapel, and Eſtate belonging to it, was taken away by* Stat. 1 Edw. VI. cap. 14.

3. *Thoſe Parts of Sir* James Dean's *and Sir* James Lancaſter's *Will, printed in the* Appendix, *concerning the Divinity Lecture founded by thoſe two Gentlemen at* Baſingſtoke, *as they have no Relation to* Holy Ghoſt *Chapel, would have been omitted, but that they are ſo interwoven with their Benefactions to* Holy Ghoſt *Chapel, that it was ſcarce practicable to ſeparate them.*

them. Some, who have never ſeen Sir James Lancaſter's *Will, have aſſerted, that his Exhibitions to Scholars in the Univerſities were given to Boys educated in the School kept in* Holy Ghoſt *Chapel. That Part of Sir* James Lancaſter's *Will is printed in the* Appendix, *that ſuch Perſons may have an Opportunity to undeceive themſelves.*

Laſtly, *It may be objected that the Account of the Petition to his preſent Majeſty is too ſhort: but as no Alteration hath thereby been made, and Things ſtill remaining as they were before, a more particular Account was not needful.*

What I have here ſaid may, I believe, be depended on, as I have inſerted nothing but what I thought I had proper Authority for. This Hiſtory might have been ſwelled with traditional Accounts, but as the Truth of them might be doubted of, no Notice is therefore taken of them.

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THE Brotherhood or Guild of the *Holy Ghoſt*, and the Chapel dedicated to the *Holy Ghoſt*, near the Town of *Baſingſtoke*, in the County of *Southampton*, and Dioceſe of *Wincheſter*, are not ſo ancient, as they are

commonly ſuppoſed to be. The Tradition, that ſeven *Saxon* Kings have been at worſhip in this Chapel at one Time, is without Foundation. And the traditionary Accounts likewiſe of Pilgrimages made to this Place are equally ill grounded: The Chapel of the *Holy Ghoſt* near *Baſingſtoke* having been built ſo late as the Reign of King *Henry* VIII. *viz.* the Reign wherein the Reformation began.

WINCHESTER had Biſhops in the Time of the *Saxon* Heptarchy; and as the Site of *Holy Ghoſt* Chapel has been an ancient Burying-Place, 'tis not impoſſible, but that there might have been a Place of publick Worſhip there, before the building of that Chapel. But I have met with no Account of any ſuch Thing.

THERE was indeed a Religious Houſe at *Baſingſtoke*, of much greater Antiquity than *Holy Ghoſt* Chapel. This Houſe was founded by King *Henry* III, ſome Time before the Year 1268. It was call'd an Hoſpital for the Maintenance of the Miniſters of the Altar of *Chriſt*, and was built and endowed for the Support of Clerks who were grown weak and infirm; and conſequently paſt diſcharging the Offices of their Function. The great Number of Perſons then in Holy Orders, made Proviſions of this Kind, at that Time, neceſſary. The Members of this Houſe were call'd Brethren of the Hoſpital; over whom a ſingle Perſon preſided as their Head or Governor. They had a Chantry or Chapel wherein divine Service was celebrated, which was exempt from Epiſcopal Juriſdiction. The following Inhibition of the Royal Founder to the Official of *Winton'*, relating to the Affair laſt mentioned, will give ſome Satisfaction to the Curious.

REX Magiſtro N. de Rotland, *Officiali* Winton' *Salutem. Cum ex Privilegio Regibus* Angliæ, *Præde-*

Prædeceſſoribus noſtris, & Nobis in ipſis a primâ Inſtitutione Chriſtianæ Religionis conceſſo, liberæ ſemper Cantariæ in ſingulis Domibus & noſtræ Fundationis & maximè in propriis Dominicis noſtris hactenus habitæ ſunt & obtentæ: Ac Nos in Hoſpitali noſtro de Baſingſtoke, *quod in proprio Dominico noſtro ad Suſtentationem Miniſtrorum Altaris* Chriſti *ad Imbecilitatem vergentium fundavimus, Auctoritate nihilominus venerabilis Patris O. S.* Adriani *Diaconi Cardinalis, Apoſtolicæ Sedis Legati, interveniente, divina, prout convenit, fecerimus & mandavimus celebrari; dilectionem veſtram rogamus, ne Cuſtodibus vel Fratribus Hoſpitalis prædicti, ſuper eorum Cantariâ prædictâ, Moleſtiam aut Impedimentum inferatis vel procuretis inferri. Vobis inſuper prohibemus, ne ſicut Honorem noſtrum & Coronæ noſtræ & . . . . noſtræ conſervare tenemini, ipſos contra Priviiegium noſtrum prædictum in placitum inde trahere præſumatis.*

T. Rege apud Wodeſtoke VIII *die* Julii. *Clauſ.* 52 Hen. III.

THIS Hoſpital ſtood on the North Side of the River, a little below *Baſingſtoke* Town-Bridge. Some Remains of the Building are ſtill to be ſeen, which now make a Part of the Houſe inhabited by *E. Dod.* The Site at preſent belongs to *Merton-College* in *Oxford:* And without doubt the Eſtate of that College at *Baſingſtoke* was formerly the Endowment of this Hoſpital.

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HOW great the Number of Chantries and Free-Chapels was before the Reformation, and for what Uſes they were built and endow'd, is well known to thoſe, who are acquainted with the Hiſtory of Eccleſiaſtical Affairs before that Period.

Sir *William Sandes*, Knight*, (Chamberlain to

* "Sir *William Sandes* was deſcended of an ancient Family of that Name in the County of *Southampton*, of which Sir *John Sandes*, Knt. was Sheriff, and Governor of *Wincheſter-Caſtle*. He was for his own eminent Services againſt the *French* and *Corniſh* Men, who rebelled, advanced 15. *Henry* VIII. to the Degree of a Baron, by the Title of Lord *Sandes*. His Eſtate was much increaſed by his Marriage with *Margery Bray* the only Child of *John Bray*, Brother and Heir to *Reginald Bray*, by whom he had one Son and four Daughters. The Son was his Heir, and named *Thomas*, who, after his Death, was Lord *Sandes*. He married *Elizabeth* the Daughter of *George Maners*, Lord *Roos*, by whom he had two Sons, *Henry* and *Walter*: His eldeſt Son *Henry* married *Elizabeth*, Siſter of *Edward*, Lord *Windſor*, and had by her two Sons, *William* and *Thomas*. He died before his Father, and ſo his Son *William* ſucceeded his Grandfather. He was one of the Peers at the Trials of *Thomas* Duke of *Norfolk*, and the Queen of *Scots*. He had

to King *Henry* VIII, and one of his Privy Council, by whom he was made Lord *Sandes*) and the Right Reverend *Richard* † Lord Biſhop of *Winchester*,

" had only one Son and " Heir
" *William* Lord *Sandes*, " who married *Alethea*, " Daughter and Coheir of " *John Panton*, of *Brin-* " *neſkid* in *Denbighſhire*, " Eſq; but had no Chil- " dren by her; where- " upon his Half-Sifter's " Son, by Sir *Edwyn* " *Sandes*, Knt. was his " Heir, both of his Ho- " nour and Eſtate. His " Name was
" *William*, and was ſum- " moned to Parliament by " the Name of Lord *Sandes* " at the Reſtoration. He " married *Mary* the young- " eſt Daughter of *William* " Earl of *Saliſbury*, but " had no Iſſue; where- " upon his Brother
" *Henry* became Lord " *Sandys*. He was alive " 1681, but leaving no " Heirs his Honour be- " came extinct. The Seat " call'd *The Vine* not far " from the Town of *Ba-* " *ſingſtoke* did belong to " this Family." *Britan. Antiq. & Nov.*

† *Richard* Lord Biſhop of *Wincheſter*, (*i. e.*) *Richard Fox*, LL. D. " He " was very inſtrumental " in raiſing King *Hen-* " *ry* VII. to the Throne, " and was afterwards em- " ployed by that Prince in " the higheſt Offices of the " Kingdom, being made " by him Keeper of the " Privy-Seal, chief Se- " cretary of State, a Privy " Councellor, a Plenipo- " tentiary to make a Peace " with *Scotland*, and laſt " of all, Biſhop of *Exeter*, " *Bath* and *Wells*, and " *Durham*, and at length " ſettled at *Wincheſter*."

Altho' probably he did not contribute any thing towards the Chapel of the *Holy Ghoſt* at *Baſingſtoke*, (my Lord *Sandes* always having had the Credit both of building and endowing it) yet was he a Perſon remarkable for Generoſity and Acts of Charity. " He cover'd " the Choir, Preſbytery, " and Iſles of his Cathe- " dral, with a fair Vault " of Stone, on which " his Arms are cut in ſe- " veral Places, and new- " glaz'd the Windows. " He built *Corpus Chriſti* " *College* in *Oxford*, and

" endowed

cheſter, in the former Part of the Reign of *Henry* VIII, obtain'd the King's Licence to found a Free-Chapel at *Baſingſtoke* in *Hampſhire*, and therein to erect and eſtabliſh a Guild; who, in purſuance of the Power to them given by his Majeſty's Licence, built a Chapel near the Town of *Baſingſtoke*, and dedicated it to the *Holy Ghoſt*. And eſtabliſh'd therein a Guild, by the Name of *The Brotherhood or Guild of the* Holy Ghost, which was by a perpetual Succeſſion to continue for ever. To the Brotherhood or Guild an Eſtate was given to maintain a Prieſt to perform divine Offices in the Chapel, and therein likewiſe to inſtruct Youth in Literature.

This Foundation, tho' intended to be perpetual, was yet but of ſhort continuance: For the leſſer Monaſteries and Religious Houſes having been diſſolved by *Stat.* 27 *Hen.* VIII. *cap.* 28, and the Crown in poſſeſſion of the Eſtates and Revenues of moſt of the greater Monaſteries by virtue of *Stat.* 31 *Hen.* VIII. *cap.* 13, thoſe who had founded Chantries, Free-Chapels, *&c.* expecting that theſe would ſoon undergo the ſame Fate, began to enter upon, and to take Poſſeſſion of the Eſtates given to them: And others, who had no ſuch Title, got into their Hands Eſtates given to Religious Uſes, by Grants and Conveyances made by thoſe that were in poſſeſſion. This occaſioned a Bill to be brought into Parliament, which paſſed into a Law, and is to the following Effect:

" endowed it with an Eſtate for the Maintenance of a Preſident, twenty-nine Fellows, ten Scholars, and other Officers, as alſo two Schools for the Education of Children at *Taunton* and *Grantham*. He died *Anno* 1528, and was buried in the Cathedral at *Winchester*, in the Chapel erected for that End." *Brit. Antiq. & Nov.*

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Stat. 37 *Hen.* VIII. *cap.* 4. A Bill for Colledges, Chaunteries, &c. *In their moſt humble wiſe ſhewn unto your Royal Majeſty your loving Subjects, the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and the Commons of this preſent Parliament aſſembled, that where there have been divers Colledges, Free-Chappels, Chantries, Hoſpitals, Fraternities, Brotherhoods, Guilds, and ſtipendary Prieſts, having Perpetuity for ever within this your Realm of* ENGLAND, WALES, *and the Marches of the ſame; of which, ſome of them by the Licence of your gracious Highneſs, or of your noble Progenitors, and ſome of them by Feofments and Wills thereupon declared, and ſome of them by other Deviſes, Conveyance and Aſſurance, have been incorporated, eſtabliſhed, founded, erected, had or made by divers Names, Sur-Names, Degrees, and Corporations, to have had a perpetual Continuance for ever: Sithence which Time divers and many of the Donors, Founders, or Patrons, or ſuch as pretend to be Donors, Founders, or Patrons of the ſame Colledges, Free-Chappels, Chantries, Hoſpitals, Fraternities, Brotherhoods, Guilds, and ſtipendary Prieſts, and divers other of their avaricious and covetous Minds, and of their own Authority, without your gracious Licence, have of late enter'd into the Manſion-houſes, Manors, Lands, Tenements, and other Hereditaments, to the ſame Colledges, Free-Chappels, Chantries, Hoſpitals, Fraternities, Brotherhoods, Guilds, and ſtipendary Prieſts belonging and appertaining, and have expulſed the Prieſts, Wardens, Maſters, Miniſters, Rulers, Governours, and Incumbents of the ſame, out and from the Poſſeſſion thereof, and they, their Heirs, and Aſſigns, do occupy and enjoy the ſaid Manſion-houſes, Manors, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, and do receive, take and employ, and convert the Rents, Iſſues, Revenues, and Profits of the ſame to their own proper Uſes: And ſome of the ſaid Prieſts, Wardens, Maſters,*

Maſters, Miniſters, Rulers, Governours and Incumbents of the Premiſſes, by Covin between them and the Patrons, Donors, or Founders of the ſame, or of ſuch as pretend to be Patrons, Donors, or Founders of the ſame, or other, have alſo of their own Authority, without your Grace's Licence, bargain'd and ſold all, or Part of their Manors, Lands, and Tenements annexed, united, pertaining or belonging to their ſaid Colledges, Free-Chappels, Chantries, Hoſpitals, and other the ſaid Promotions: And ſome of the ſaid Prieſts, Wardens, Maſters, Miniſters, Rulers, Governours, and Incumbents, by the Aſſent and Conſent of their Patrons, Donors, Founders, or ſuch other as have had Intereſt in the ſame: And ſome of the ſaid Prieſts, Rulers, Governours and Incumbents, of their own Authority, without the Aſſent of their Patrons, Donors, or Founders, or of ſuch other as have had Intereſt in the ſame, have now of late made Leaſes for Term of Life or Lives, or for Term of Years of their ſaid Free-Chappels, Chantries, Hoſpitals, Fraternities, Brotherhoods, Guilds, or other the ſaid Promotions, or of the Manors, Lands, Tenements, and other the Premiſſes, or of Part thereof, and have not reſerved the cuſtomable Rent and Farm, that the ſame hath been uſed to be letten for: And ſome of them by Covin have ſuffered Recoveries, levied Fines, and made Feoffments, and other Conveyances of all or part of their ſaid Poſſeſſions; by reaſon whereof divers of the ſaid Free-Chappels, Chantries, Hoſpitals, and other Promotions aboveſaid, have been clearly diſſolved, extinct, or determined, contrary to the Wills, Minds, Intents and Purpoſes of the Founders, Donors, or Patrons of the ſame, and to the great Contempt of your Majeſty, and your Authority Royal. — — — —

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2. *Be it enacted by the King our Sovereign Lord, with the Aſſent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal,*

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and of the Commons, &c. That all and ſingular the ſaid Colledges, Free-Chappels, Chantries, Hoſpitals, Fraternities, Brotherhoods, Guilds, and other the ſaid Promotions had, or made to have Continuance in perpetuity for ever, and being, or that hath or ought to be contributary or chargeable to the Payment of the Firſt-Fruits and Tenths, according to the Laws and Statutes in that Behalf had and made, by what Name, Surname, Degree, or Corporation they or any of them were founded, ordain'd, eſtabliſh'd, erected, named, call'd, or known, and all and ſingular the Manſion-houſes, Manors, Orchards, Gardens, Lands, Tenements, Paſtures, Woods, Waters, Rents, Reverſions, Services, Commons, Tithes, Penſions, Portions, Churches, Chappels, Advowſons, Nominations, Patronages, Annuities, &c. and other Hereditaments whatſoever they be, appertaining or belonging, or that did appertain or belong, or were aſſigned or appointed to any ſuch Colledge, Free-Chappel, Chantry, Hoſpital, Fraternity, Brotherhood, Guild, Stipendary Prieſt, or other the ſaid Promotions, or to any of them, or accepted, known, or taken as Part, Parcel, or Number of them, or of any of them, and to the ſaid Colledges, Chantries, Free-Chappels, Hoſpitals, Fraternity, Brotherhood, &c. or to any of them united or annexed, which between the fourth Day of February in the twenty-ſeventh Year of the Reign of our ſaid Sovereign Lord the King, and the twenty-fifth Day of December in the thirty-ſeventh Year of the ſaid King's Reign, by reaſon of any ſuch Entry, Expulſion, Bargain, Sale, Feoffment, Fine, Recovery, Leaſe, or other Conveyance thereof had or made, been diſſolved, determined, relinquiſhed, or extinct by any of the Ways, Means, or Conveyances aforeſaid, or otherwiſe, other than ſuch of them as now be, or were in the Poſſeſſion of our ſaid Sovereign Lord the King, or that have been granted or aſſured by his Highneſs Licence,

Agreement, Conſent, or Letters Patents, to any other Perſon or Perſons, or have been lawfully obtain'd, or recovered by any Perſon, by any former Right or Title, without Fraud or Covin, or by the King's Licence, ſhall from henceforth (by Authority of this Act) be adjudged and deemed, and alſo be in the very actual and real Poſſeſſion and Seiſin of the King our Sovereign Lord, and of his Heirs and Succeſſors for ever, in as large and ample Manner as the ſaid Prieſts, Wardens, Maſters, Miniſters, Governors, Rulers, or other Incumbents, or any of them, or the Patrons, Donors, or Founders of them, or of any of them, at any Time ſithence the ſaid fourth Day of February *in the twenty-ſeventh Year aforeſaid, had, occupied or enjoyed, or now hath, occupieth or enjoyeth the ſame, and as tho' all and ſingular the ſaid Colledges, Chantries, Hoſpitals, Free-Chappels, Fraternities, Brotherhoods, Guilds, and other the ſaid Promotions, and the ſaid Manors, Lands, Tenements, Hereditaments, and other the Premiſſes, whatſoever they be, and every of them, were in this preſent Act ſpecially, particularly and certainly rehearſed, named and expreſſed by expreſs Words, Names, Surnames, Corporations, Title, and Faculties, and in their Natures, Kinds, and Qualities, the ſaid Entries, Expulſions, Bargains, Sales, Fines, Feoffments, Recoveries, or other Aſſurance and Conveyance whatſoever they be, had or made (except before excepted) to the contrary notwithſtanding.*

THE Fraternity or Guild of the *Holy Ghoſt*, within the Chapel of the *Holy Ghoſt*, near *Baſingſtoke* in *Hants*, eſcaped Diſſolution at this Time; tho' it ſeems to have been within the Meaning of this Act (for if it was omitted in the original or firſt Certificate of Benefices and ſpiritual Promotions made in the Exchequer by the Commiſſioners; yet by 32 *Hen.* VIII. *cap.* 22. it was liable to be charged

ged to the Payment of First-Fruits and Tenths) except only, that it does not appear, that any Entry had been made upon the Estate by the Founder or any other Person. Yet by this Act the King might, during his natural Life, grant his Commission to such Persons, as he thought fit, to enter into any Chantries, Free-Chapels, *&c.* and seize their Estates, and take them to his own Use.

But King *Hen.* VIII. did not live long after the making of this Statute, it being made in the last Year of his Reign. And, in the first Year of the Reign of his Successor King *Edw.* VI, an Act was made, whereby free Chapels, and Chantries, *&c.* of all Sorts, and the Estates belonging to them, were given to the King.

Stat. 1 *Edw.* VI. *cap.* 14. *sect.* 2. *It is now ordained and enacted by the King our Sovereign Lord, with the Assent of the Lords and Commons,* &c. *That all manner of Colledges, Free-Chappels, and Chantries, having being, or in* esse, *within five Years next before the first Day of this present Parliament, (which were not in actual and real Possession of the late King, nor in the actual and real Possession of the King our Sovereign Lord that now is, nor excepted in the said former Act* [viz. Stat. 37 *Hen.* VIII. cap. 4.] *other than such as by the King's Commissions in form hereafter mentioned, shall be altered, transposed or changed) and all Manors, Lands, Tenements, Rents, Tithes, Pensions, Portions, and other Hereditaments and Things abovementioned, belonging to them or any of them: And also all Manors, Lands, Tenements, Rents, and other Hereditaments and Things abovementioned, by any Manner of Assurance, Conveyance, Will, Devise, or otherwise had, made, suffered, knowledged or declared, given, assigned, limited or appointed, to the*

finding of any Prieſt, to have Continuance for ever, and wherewith, or whereby any Prieſt was ſuſtain'd, maintain'd or found, within five Years next before the firſt Day of this preſent Parliament (which were not in the actual and real Poſſeſſion of the late King, nor in the actual and real Poſſeſſion of our Sovereign Lord the King that now is) and alſo all annual Rents, Profits, and Emoluments, at any Time within five Years next before the beginning of this preſent Parliament, imploy'd, paid, or beſtow'd, toward or for the Maintenance, Supportation, or finding of any ſtipendary Prieſt, intended by any Act or Writing to have Continuance for ever, ſhall by the Authority of this preſent Parliament, immediately after the Feaſt of EASTER next coming, be adjudged and deemed, and alſo be in the very actual or real Poſſeſſion and Seiſin of the King our Sovereign Lord, and his Heirs and Succeſſors for ever, without any Office or other Inquiſition thereof to be had or found, and in as large and ample Manner and Form as the Prieſts, Wardens, Maſters, Miniſters, Governors, Rulers, or other Incumbents of them, or any of them, at any Time within the five Years next before the Beginning of the preſent Parliament, had, occupied, or enjoyed, or now hath, occupieth, or enjoyeth the ſame, and as tho' all and ſingular the ſaid Colledges, Free-Chappels, Chantries, Stipends, Salaries of Prieſts, and the ſaid Manors, Lands, Tenements, Hereditaments, and other the Premiſſes whatſoever they be, and every of them, were in this preſent Act ſpecially, particularly, and certainly rehearſed, named, and expreſſed by expreſs Words, Names, Surnames, Corporations, Titles and Faculties, and in their Natures, Kinds, and Qualities.

9. AND furthermore be it ordain'd and enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the King our Sovereign Lord, ſhall from the ſaid Feaſt of EASTER next coming, have and enjoy to him, his Heirs and Succeſſors

ceſſors for ever, all Fraternities, Brotherhoods and Guilds, being within the Realm of ENGLAND *and* WALES, *and other the King's Dominions: And all Manors, Lands, Tenements, and other Hereditaments, belonging to them or any of them (other then Corporations, Guilds, Fraternities, Companies and Fellowſhips of Myſteries or Crafts, and the Manors, Lands, Tenements, and other Hereditaments pertaining to the ſaid Corporations, &c.) and ſhall by Vertue of this Act be judged and deemed in the actual and real Poſſeſſion of our ſaid Sovereign Lord the King, his Heirs and Succeſſors, from the ſaid Feaſt of* EASTER *next coming, for ever, without any Inquiſition or Office thereof to be had or found.*

34. *PROVIDED always, and be it enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That this preſent Act, nor any Thing therein contain'd, ſhall in any wiſe extend or be prejudicial or hurtful to the general Corporation of any City, Borough or Town within this Realm, or any other the King's Dominions, ne ſhall extend to any the Lands, or Hereditaments of them or any of them; any thing therein contain'd to the contrary in any wiſe notwithſtanding.*

BY this Act, the Brotherhood or Guild, call'd the Brotherhood of the *Holy Ghoſt*, within the Chapel dedicated to the *Holy Ghoſt*, near *Baſingſtoke* in *Hants*, founded by Biſhop *Fox* and Lord *Sandes* was diſſolved; and the 1546. Eſtate belonging to it taken to the King's Uſe, which King *Edward* VI. poſſeſſed until the End of his Reign; when with the Crown it came into the Hands of Queen *Mary*, and continued to be Crown Lands during the former Part of that Reign. But upon a Petition from the Inhabitants of the Town of *Baſingſtoke* to their Majeſties King *Philip* and Queen *Mary*, and at the Requeſt and Interceſſion of Cardinal *Poole*, 1556.

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Legate *de Latere* of Pope *Julius* III, and Archbiſhop of *Canterbury*, their Majeſties, by Letters Patents of the third and fourth Year of their Reign, eſtabliſh'd again a *Brotherhood* or *Guild* to the Praiſe and Honour of the *Holy Ghoſt*, which was to continue for ever, and be called the *Brotherhood* of the *Holy Ghoſt* within the Chapel of the *Holy Ghoſt*, near the Town of *Baſingſtoke*, in the County of *Southampton*. By the ſame Letters Patents, a Body corporate and politick is conſtituted by the Name of the Alderman, Wardens, and Brethren, and Siſters of the Fraternity or Guild of the *Holy Ghoſt*, within the Chapel of the *Holy Ghoſt* near *Baſingſtoke* in *Hants*, to continue for ever by a perpetual Succeſſion. The Alderman and two Wardens were annual Officers, choſen every Year out of the *Brotherhood*, and were removeable at Pleaſure. This Body corporate conſiſted of an uncertain and indeterminate Number of Members, and that of either Men or Women: For Women, as well as Men, were capable of being of this Society: And the Alderman and Wardens of the Fraternity for the Time being, had Power to admit as many Perſons of either Sex, as were willing, and they approved of, into their Community. The Buſineſs of the Fraternity was to be tranſacted under a Common Seal, which they are authorized to keep and uſe: And the Alderman and Wardens of the Brotherhood, for the Time being, are declared capable in Law to hold Lands, *&c.* and to ſue and be ſued in any Court of Law: Who, together with the Brethren of the Fraternity, might hold Meetings, and make, according to their Diſcretion, ſuch Rules and Statutes, (conſiſtent with the Laws of *England*) as were neceſſary for the better ordering and Government of their Fraternity or Guild, and of the Brethren and Siſters thereof, and their Succeſſors.

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To this Guild of the *Holy Ghoſt*, their Majeſties granted an Eſtate in Lands and Houſes, *(viz.* the ſame that did belong to the former Guild of that Name at *Baſingſtoke)* for the Maintenance of a Prieſt for the Celebration of divine Service in *Holy Ghoſt* Chapel, and for the Inſtruction and Inſtitution of the young Men and Boys of the Town. The Grant runs thus:

" *KNOW ye, that, of our ample Grace, and of* " *our certain Knowledge and mere Motion, We have* " *given and granted, and do, by theſe Preſents, for* " *Us and our Heirs and Succeſſors, grant to the Al-* " *derman and Wardens of the Brotherhood or Guild* " *of the Holy Ghoſt, &c. all that our Meſſuage or* " *Tenement and Farm call'd* Frymles, *otherwiſe* " *call'd* The Hollie Golfe Ferme, *and one Yard* " *of ours belonging to the ſame Meſſuage, with their* " *Appurtenances, ſituate, lying, and being in* Mote-" Strete *in* Baſingſtoke *in our County of* Southamp-" ton, *now or lately* [*that is in the third and fourth* " *Year of King* Philip *and Queen* Mary] *in the Te-* " *nure or Occupation of* William Goodyer, *and to* " *the late* Fraternity *call'd* The Brotherhed of " the Hollie Golfe *near the Town of* Baſingſtoke " *in the County of* Southampton, *ſome Time ago be-* " *longing and appertaining, and being Parcel of the* " *Poſſeſſions thereof. And alſo all that our Horſe-* " *Mill, and one Yard of ours thereto belonging,* " *with the Appurtenances, ſituate, lying, and being* " *in* Mot.-Strete *aforeſaid, in* Baſingſtoke *afore-* " *ſaid, now or lately in the Tenure or Occupa-* " *tion of the ſaid* William Goodyer, *and to the* " *ſaid late* Fraternity *belonging and appertaining.* " *And all that Meſſuage or Tenement of ours* " *called* Harriards, *and one Garden or Yard of* " *ours, with the Appurtenances, now or lately in the* " *Tenure or Occupation of* William Hannyngton,

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" *ſituate, lying, and being in* Northbroke-Strete " *in* Baſingſtoke *aforeſaid, and to the ſaid late* Fra- " ternity *ſome Time ago belonging and appertaining.* " *And alſo all thoſe our* three Acres *of Arable Land,* " *with the Appurtenances lying in the common Field of* " Baſingſtoke *call'd* Northfield, *now or lately in* " *the Tenure or Occupation of* John Butler, *and to* " *the ſaid late* Fraternity *ſome Time ago belonging* " *and appertaining. And alſo one Meſſuage or Te-* " *nement of ours call'd* Spiters, *and one Garden of* " *ours, with the Appurtenances, lying in the Street* " *call'd* The Hollie Goſſe Streete, *otherwiſe call'd* " Whitewaye, *in the Town of* Baſingſtoke *afore-* " *ſaid, now or lately in the Tenure or Occupation of* " Simon White, *and to the ſaid* Fraternity *former-* " *ly belonging and appertaining. And all that our* " Barn *call'd* The Hollie Goſſe Barne *in* Baſing- " ſtoke *aforeſaid, and* one hundred Acres *of Ara-* " *ble Land of ours lying in the Common Fields of the* " *ſaid Town of* Baſingſtoke; *and one ſmall* Cloſe *of* " Land *and* Paſture *of ours, containing by Eſtima-* " *tion* two Acres *in* Baſingſtoke *aforeſaid, with all* " *and ſingular their Appurtenances, now or lately in* " *the Tenure or Occupation of* Richard Marſam, *and* " *to the ſaid late* Fraternity *ſome Time belonging and* " *appertaining. And the Reverſion, and Reverſions* " *whatſoever, of all and ſingular the Premiſſes a-* " *bove, by theſe Preſents, granted, and of every* " *Part and Parcel thereof,* &c. &c.

THIS Eſtate, granted to the Guild of the *Holy Ghoſt* near *Baſingſtoke*, being given for the Maintenance of a Prieſt, *pro Divinarum celebratione, & pro Inſtructione & Inſtitutione Juvenum & Puerorum*; 'twas looked upon as not given to ſuperſtitious Uſes; and therefore remain'd untouch'd in the following Reigns. But in the Time of the late *Civil War* (when other Church-Lands were

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ſeiz'd upon) this Eſtate was again alienated; and the Chapel and School ſhut up for many Years: 'Till in the Year 1670.* by the Care of the Right Reverend *George Morley*, D. D. Biſhop of *Winchester*, the Eſtate was reſtored to it again.

If by *Frymles* or *Holy Ghoſt Farm*, in the firſt Article of the Grant, ſomething is meant different from what is given in the following Articles, the Endowment was large: But perhaps thoſe Words may be intended only as a general Deſcription of what is, more particularly, deſcribed in the following Articles. However it is certain, that one hundred and five Acres of Land were granted by the Crown, beſide the two Houſes and Gardens in *Baſingſtoke*, one in *Northbrook-Street*, the other in *Chapel-Street*, and the Barn and Horſe-Mill in *Wote-Street*.

There are now Lands in the Pariſh of *Baſingſtoke* (tho' the Guild has long been extinct) which are acknowledged to be the Eſtate of *Holy Ghoſt* Chapel; but whether ſo great a Quantity of Land as one hundred and five Acres can, at this Time, be found, I cannot ſay. The Meſſuage or Tenement call'd *Harriard*'s in *Northbrook-Street* does ſtill belong to the Chapel; but is in ſo ruinous a Condition, that it cannot ſtand long before it muſt be rebuilt. The Meſſuage or Tenement call'd *Spicer*'s, in *Chapel-Street*, or *The White Way*, is the Houſe wherein the Miniſter of the Chapel (as I have been told) hath formerly lived. The Houſe, with the Offices, is near ſixty Feet in Front: But it is ſo far out of Repair, that it is untenantable; one Part of the Houſe is indeed inhabited by a poor Man with his Family, but the other is made uſe of by a Malſter, to keep Wood in. The Barn and Horſe-Mill in *Wote-Street* are

* *Vid.* Appendix, *Numb.* II.

in a like bad Condition. Hence it appears, how neceſſary it is for Patrons not to permit Intruders to enjoy any of their Benefices, even of the ſmalleſt Value; it being for their Intereſt to let Things go to Ruin, and to diminiſh the Profits, that it may not be worth while to give them any Diſturbance.

THE Chapel built by my Lord *Sandes*, and dedicated to the *Holy Ghoſt*, (whether moſt to be admired for the Beauty of the Structure, or the Pleaſantneſs of its Situation, 'tis not eaſy to determine) was ſituated on a Hill near the Town of *Baſingſtoke* in *Hants*. The Outſide of it was of Free-Stone curiouſly ornamented; neither was the Inſide leſs beautiful. "Upon the Roof of it (as "we are told by Mr. *Camden*) the Hiſtory of the "Prophets, Apoſtles, and Diſciples of *Chriſt*, "was very artificially deſcribed." Mr. *Camden*'s own Words are more full than the Tranſlation: "*Sacellum perpulchrum . . . Spiritui Sancto* "*ſacratum. In cujus laquearibus Hiſtoria ſacra* "*cum Prophetarum, Apoſtolorum, & Diſcipulorum* "*Chriſti iconibus præcellenti artificio depicta ſpecta-*"*tur.*

THIS Chapel (through neglect of the Repairs*) is now in Ruins. Part of the Eaſtern and South Wall only remains ſtanding, and an Hexagonal Turret to the South-Weſt, almoſt entire, which was formerly a Stair-Caſe. My Lord *Sandes*, the Founder, is ſaid † to have been buried in this Chapel; if there was ever any Monument erected

* It is ſaid, that this Chapel was ſtripp'd of its Covering of Lead, in the late Civil-War, to make Ball for the Uſe of the Beſiegers of *Baſing-Houſe*, which ſtood in the Neighbourhood of this Chapel. Others ſay, that the Chapel was tiled, and that they can remember when it was ſo.

† *Camden*'s *Brit.*

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(as probably there was) it is now buried in the Rubbiſh.

WESTWARD of, and adjoining to the Ruins of the Chapel ſtands a Building, (tho' in but indifferent Repair) conſiſting of one large regular Room about forty Feet in Length, and twenty-four in Breadth. This is the only Chapel and School-Room, that of late Years has been made uſe of. Since its firſt Endowment *Holy Ghoſt* Chapel has had ſeveral Benefactors, the moſt conſiderable of whom were Sir *James Deane*, Knt. and Sir *James Lancaſter*, Knt. See their Benefactions in the APPENDIX.

SECT. III.

Of the Patronage of the Chapel of the Holy Ghoſt, *near* Baſingſtoke *in* Hampſhire.

IT may be made a Queſtion, whether the Patronage, or Right of nominating the Preſbyter to perform Divine Service, *&c.* in *Holy Ghoſt* Chapel near *Baſingſtoke*, did not belong to the Crown, even when the Brotherhood or Guild of the *Holy Ghoſt* exiſted: There being no expreſs Words in the Charter, or Letters Patents, granted *Anno* 3 *&* 4 *Phil. & Mar.* whereby a Right of Nomination is convey'd to them; except ſuch Power is given them by theſe Words: *Eâ Intentione* [dedimus & conceſſimus] *quod, cum Reventionibus eorundem Meſſuagiorum, Terrarum & Poſſeſſionum, & cæterorum Præmiſſorum, Aldermannus & Gardiani dictæ Fraternitatis, pro tempore exiſtentes, imperpetuum invenient unum idoneum Preſbyterum, tam pro Divinarum Celebratione in Capellâ prædictâ, quam pro Inſtructione & Inſtitutione Juve-*

num & Puerorum Villæ prædictæ. " We have " given and granted them with that Intent, that, " with the Rents and Iſſues of the ſame Meſ- " ſuages, Lands, and Poſſeſſions, and other the " Premiſſes, the Alderman, and Wardens of the " Fraternity *of the Holy Ghoſt* for the Time be- " ing, ſhall for ever *find* [*i. e. maintain*] a fit- " ting Prieſt, as well for the Celebration of Di- " vine-Service in the Chapel *of the Holy Ghoſt*, " as for the Inſtruction and Inſtitution of Young- " men and Boys, *&c.*" Theſe Words ſeem rather to imply and direct, that the Produce of the Eſtate ſhould be apply'd towards the Maintenance and Support of the Prieſt, than to relate to the Nomination of him. Which Senſe of the Words is confirm'd by the *Proviſo* that follows:

PROVISO ſemper, quod omnes Reventiones & Poſſeſſiones prædictæ Fraternitatis ſive Gildæ non exponantur, nec expendantur ad aliquos alios uſus ſeu Intentiones, ſed ad inveniendum Preſbyterum modo & formâ ſupradictis.

" PROVIDED always, that the whole of the Re- " venues and Poſſeſſions of the Fraternity or " Guild aforeſaid, may not be employed or ex- " pended to any other Uſes or Purpoſes, but " to the finding [that is, *maintaining* *] a Prieſt " in Manner and Form aboveſaid.

BUT however as the Officers of the Guild did let the Eſtate, and received the Rents for the Uſe of their Chaplain, ſo it is not unlikely, but that they might appoint him, when a Vacancy happened. But when this Guild was extinct †, the

* In the Statute 1 *Edw.* VI. *cap.* 14, whereby Fraternities, Brotherhoods, and Guilds were diſſolved, *Find* and *Maintain* are uſed as ſynonymous Words, for the Founders were for the moſt part Patrons.

† It is not eaſy to aſcertain the Time when the

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Crown took the Patronage of the Chapel into its own Hands, and (the Value in the King's Books being *nil*) it was preſented to, by the Lord Chancellor, or Lord-Keeper of the Great Seal; for it appears by the Books of the Lord Chancellor, or Lord Keeper of the Great Seal, that

" THE Office or Place of Miniſter or Chaplain, " as well for Celebration of Divine Service, as " for the Inſtruction, Education, and Inſtituting " Young-men and Boys in the Chapel of the *Holy* " *Ghoſt*, near the Town of *Baſingſtoke*, in the " County of *Southampton*, was granted by Letters " Patents, bearing Date the firſt Day of *February*, " *An.* 15 *Car.* unto *Edward Webb*, Clerk, Maſter " of Arts, to hold the ſaid Office, *&c.* during his " natural Life, with all and ſingular Meſſuages, " Tenements, *&c.* thereto belonging, *&c. &c.*

By the Lord Keeper, *&c.*

Witneſſed at *Weſtminſter*.

Fraternity of the *Holy Ghoſt* ceaſed to exiſt: As they were accountable for the whole Produce of the Eſtate, and nothing allowed to defray the Expence of their Meetings, they neglected to chuſe annual Officers and new Members, and ſo the Guild was gradually extinct. It is however certain, that there is no ſuch Body corporate now in being, neither has there been for many Years.

IT is conjectured (and not unreaſonably) that, as the Perſons whereof the Guild conſiſted in the Reign of Queen *Mary* were Papiſts, there were no new Members admitted after her Death: For the Fraternity ſeems to have been extinct before the End of the Reign of Queen *Elizabeth*, or at fartheſt in the Beginning of the Reign of King *James* I. Becauſe Sir *James Deane* would ſcarcely, by his Will in the Year 1607, have pretended to give the Patronage of *Holy Ghoſt* Chapel to Truſtees of his own Appointment, if there had been, then in being, a Body Corporate, whereunto it did belong. *Vide* APPENDIX.

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SOME Time after this, the Eſtate was alienated, and the Chapel and School ſhut up for many Years, as is above related. After the Reſtitution of the Eſtate, by the Care of Biſhop *Morley* in the Year 1670, one *Poecock* (if I am not miſinformed) officiated for a little while. But the late Incumbent, the Reverend Mr. *John James*, was in poſſeſſion in the Beginning of the Year 1673, who had never (as I can find) any Nomination or Grant of it from the Crown, but held it by ſuch Title as the Corporation of the Town of *Baſingſtoke* could give him to it. *Vid.* APPEN. *Num.* IV. But knowing himſelf liable to be diſpoſſeſſed, Things were ſuffered to run ſtrangely to ruin.

SINCE the Acceſſion of his preſent Majeſty to the Throne, a Petition was preſented to his Majeſty in Council, wherein the Petitioners pray'd to be made Truſtees and Patrons of *Holy Ghoſt* Chapel, and the School therein kept: But as no new Charter or Grant was at that Time made, Things remain ſtill upon the ſame Footing, as they did by Virtue of the Letters Patents granted in the third and fourth Year of King *Philip* and Queen *Mary*.

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NUMB. I.

Pro Aldermanno & Gardianis Fraternitatis Sancti Spiritus juxta Baſingſtoke, de Corporatione. Secunda Pars Paten' de annis regnorum *Philippi* Regis & Reginæ *Mariæ* tertio & quarto.

REX & Regina omnibus ad quos, &c. ſalutem. Cum, ad Laudem & Honorem Sancti Spiritus, *quædam Fraternitas ſive Gilda, vocata Fraternitas Sancti Spiritus infra Capellam, quæ juxta Villam noſtram de* Baſingſtoke *in Comitatu noſtro* Southantonenſi *exiſtit, per venerabilem in* Chriſto *Patrem* Richardum *quondam* Winton' *Epiſcopum, ac* Willielmum Sandes *Militem, Dominum de* Sandes, *Conſiliarios prætharissimi Patris Noſtrum præfatæ Reginæ* Henrici *octavi nuper Regis* Angliæ *(Licentiâ ejuſdem Patris noſtrum Præfatæ Reginæ ad id prius obtentâ) quondam erecta, ſtabilita & fundata fuit: Cujus-quidem Fraternitatis ſive Gildæ reventionibus, quidam Preſbyter inventus & ſupportatus fuerit, tam pro divinarum Celebratione infra eandem Capellam, quàm pro Educatione & Inſtructione Juvenum & Puerorum in Literis infra Villam prædictam, prout ex fide dignis accepimus. Quæquidem Gilda ſive Fraternitas, jam nuperrime, per Hæreticorum Schiſma, rebus Eccleſiaſticis undique collabentibus, ſimul collapſa eſt & everſa; priuſquam Nos ad Regale hujus Regni Diadema & Gubernacula ſuſcepimus. Et tum dilecti ſubditi noſtri, Inhabitantes dictæ Villæ noſtræ de* Baſingſtoke, *nobis humiliter ſupplicaverunt, ut Nos Fraternitatem ſive Gildam prædictam reſtaurare & ad priſtinum ſtatum reducere velimus. Ac Nos prædicti Rex & Re-*

gina, prædictorum ſubditorum noſtrorum piis ac juſtis Petitionibus annuentes, ac conſiderantes, quod Capella prædicta ac Cæmeterium ejuſdem ſunt loci, quibus Corpora Inhabitantium Villæ prædictæ nonnunquam ſepeliuntur, ad Requiſitionem Reverendiſſimi in Chriſto Patris Reginaldi Poli Legati de Latere & Archiepiſcopi Cantuar', Fraternitatem ſive Gildam, ad Laudem & Honorem Sancti Spiritus, infra Capellam prædictam, creari, erigi, fundari & ſtabiliri decrevimus, prout per præſentes decrevimus.

SCIATIS igitur, quod Nos de Gratiâ noſtrâ ſpeciali, ac ex certâ Scientiâ & mero Motu noſtris, volumus, concedimus & ordinamus, pro Nobis ac Hæredibus & Succeſſoribus noſtrûm præfatæ Reginæ, quod de cætero ſit, & erit, infra Capellam prædictam, quædam Fraternitas ſive Gilda perpetua ad Laudem & Honorem dicti Sancti Spiritus, quæ vocabitur Fraternitas Sancti Spiritus in Capella ejuſdem juxta Villam de Baſingſtoke in Comitatu Southantonenſi perpetuis temporibus futura, duraturaque; ac Fraternitatem ſive Gildam prædictam, pro perpetuo continuaturam, erigimus, creamus, ordinamus & fundamus per præſentes. Et ut intentio noſtra prædicta meliorem capiat effectum; volumus, concedimus, & ordinamus, pro Nobis ac Hæredibus & Succeſſoribus noſtrum præfatæ Reginæ, quod Fratres Fraternitatis ſive Gildæ illius, infra Villam prædictam de tempore in tempus commorantes, & in futuro commoraturi, eligant & eligere poſſint, quolibet anno, imperpetuum unum Aldermannum & duos Gardianos, de ſeipſis, vel aliis Fratribus dictæ Fraternitatis ſive Gildæ, ad gubernandam & ſupervidendam eandem Fraternitatem ſive Gildam, necnon ad habendum Regimen & Cuſtodiam Terrarum, Tenementorum & Hereditamentorum ſubſcriptorum & inferius ſpecificatorum, ac omnium aliorum, Terrarum, Tenementorum, Reddituum, Poſſeſſionum, Bonorum, & Catallorum, quæ exnunc dictæ

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Fraternitati ſive Gildæ perquiri, dari, legari, concedi vel aſſignari contigerint; ac ipſos Aldermannum & Gardianos, ſeu eorum aliquem, de tempore in tempus (prout indiguerint, ſeu expediens fuerit) amovere, expellere & exonerare, & alios Aldermannum & Gardianos vel Gardianum, eorum ejuſve Nomine ſive Nominibus & loco, quotiens & quando ſibi placuerit, ponere, ſubſtituere & ſubrogare poſſint & valeant. Quodque etiam dicti Aldermannus & Gardiani, ac Fratres & Sorores Fraternitatis ſive Gildæ prædictæ, ſint unum Corpus corporatum in Re & Nomine; habeantque Succeſſionem perpetuam; necnon quoddam Sigillum commune, pro Negotiis & aliis agendis ejuſdem Fraternitatis ſive Gildæ, habere & exercere valeant imperpetuum. Et quod dicti Aldermannus & Gardiani, pro tempore exiſtentes, hujuſmodi Perſonas, quæ de Fraternitate ſive Gildâ illâ eſſe voluerint, in Fratres & Sorores ejuſdem Fraternitatis ſive Gildæ admittere & acceptare poſſint & valeant, & ideo ſciatis, quod Nos aſſignavimus, elegimus, conſtituimus & declaravimus, ac per præſentes aſſignamus, eligimus, nominamus, conſtituimus & declaramus dilectum Nobis Johannem Runnyngar *ſeniorem, Inhabitantem dictæ Villæ de* Baſingſtoke, *fore & eſſe primum & modernum Aldermannum Fraternitatis ſive Gildæ prædictæ, ad idem Officium bene & fideliter exercendum pro uno anno integro, ſi tam diu vixerit; ac etiam aſſignavimus, elegimus, nominavimus, conſtituimus & declaravimus, ac per præſentes aſſignamus, eligimus, nominamus, conſtituimus & declaramus dilectos Nobis,* Richardum Hall & Rogerum Reve, *Inhabitantes Villæ prædictæ, fore & eſſe primos & modernos Gardianos Fraternitatis ſive Gildæ prædictæ, ad idem Officium bene & fideliter exercendum, à dato præſentium, pro uno anno integro, ſi tam diu vixerint, ſive eorum alter tam diu vixerit. Et ulterius, de uberiori Gratiâ noſtrâ, volumus & concedimus, pro Nobis ac Hæredibus & Succeſſoribus Noſtrum præfatæ*

Reginæ, quod iidem Aldermannus & Gardiani ac Fratres & Sorores Fraternitatis [ſive] *Gildæ prædictæ de cætero ſint & erunt unum* [Corpus] *corporatum & politicum in re, facto, & nomine, imperpetuum, per nomen* Aldermanni & Gardianorum ac Fratrum & Sororum Fraternitatis ſive Gildæ *Sancti Spiritus* in Capella ejuſdem juxta Villam de *Baſingſtoke* in Comitatu Southanton', *incorporatum & erectum. Ac ipſum* Johannem Runnynger *Aldermannum & ipſos* Richardum Hall & Rogerum Reve *Gardianos dictæ Fraternitatis ſive Gildæ Sancti Spiritus in Capella ejuſdem juxta Villam de* Baſingſtoke *in Comitatu* Southanton', *ac Fratres & Sorores ejuſdem Fraternitatis incorporamus, ac Corpus Corporatum & Politicum per idem nomen duraturum & ad plenum creamus, erigimus, ordinamus, facimus & declaramus per præſentes. Et volumus, ac per præſentes concedimus, quod iidem Aldermannus & Gardiani Fraternitatis prædictæ, pro tempore exiſtentes, ſint Perſonæ habiles & in Lege capaces ad habendum & recipiendum de Nobis Meſuagia, Terras, Tenementa & Hæreditamenta ſubſcripta & ſpecificata, ac alia, Terras, Tenementa & alias Poſſeſſiones quaſcunque ad Uſum dictæ Fraternitatis ſive Gildæ: Quodque iidem Aldermannus & Gardiani Fraternitatis ſive Gildæ, pro tempore exiſtentes, pro dictâ Fraternitate ſive Gildâ, ac pro Terris, Tenementis, Redditibus, Poſſeſſionibus, Bonis & Catallis ac Juribus Fraternitatis ſive Gildæ illius, in quibuſcunque Actionibus, Cauſis, Demandis, Querelis & Placitis, cujuſcunque generis fuerint ſive naturæ, per nomen* Aldermanni & Gardianorum Fraternitatis *Sancti Spiritus* in Capella ejuſdem juxta Villam de *Baſingſtoke* in Comitatu Southantonenſi, *in quibuſcunque Curiis, coram quibuſcunque Judicibus ſive Juſtitiariis ſpiritualibus vel ſecularibus, placitare & implacitari, ac reſpondere & reſponderi, defendere & defendi poſſint & valeant, eodem modo, quo cæteri Ligii noſtri, Perſonæ habiles & capaces in Lege,*

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placitare & implacitari, respondere & responderi, ac defendere & defendi potuerint. Quodque iidem Aldermannus & Gardiani, ac Fratres ejusdem Fraternitatis sive Gildæ, infra Villam prædictam de tempore in tempus imperpetuum commorantes, & alii Fratres, si interesse voluerint, ad dies, loca & tempora congrua & opportuna, quotiens & quando eis placuerit, infra dictam Villam, ad tractandum, communicandum & concordandum inter seipsos, unà cum aliis, si voluerint, pro consilio & avisamento boni Status, Gubernationis & sani Regiminis Fraternitatis sive Gildæ prædictæ, necnon Fratrum & Sororum ejusdem & Successorum suorum convenire, atque Ordinationes & Statuta quæcunque, juxta eorundem Aldermanni, Gardianorum & Fratrum Discretiones, facere, statuere & ordinare possint & valeant; dummodo eadem Ordinationes & Statuta non sint repugnantia nec contraria Statutis sive Legibus nostris Angliæ.

ET ulterius volumus & concedimus quod Aldermannus & Gardiani Fraternitatis sive Gildæ prædictæ, pro tempore existentes, habeant, imperpetuum, plenariam Auctoritatem & Potestatem admittendi & acceptandi quoscunque Homines & quascunque Fœminas, qui & quæ de Fraternitate sive Gildâ illâ esse voluerint, in Fratres & Sorores ejusdem Fraternitatis sive Gildæ, absque Impetitione, molestatione, calumniâ seu impedimento Nostrî, Hæredum vel Successorum nostrorum, aut aliquorum Ballivorum seu Ministrorum nostrorum, Hæredum vel Successorum nostrorum, quorumcunque, aliquo Statuto, Actu, Ordinatione, Provisione seu Restrictione, inde in contrarium factis, editis, ordinatis sive provisis, aut aliquâ aliâ Re, Causâ vel Materiâ quâcunque, in aliquo, non obstante.

ET ulterius sciatis, quod nos, Intentionem & Propositum nostrum in hâc Parte deducere volentes, de ampliori Gratia nostrâ, ac ex certâ Scientiâ & mero

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motu noſtris, dedimus & conceſſimus, ac per præſentes, pro Nobis ac Hæredibus & Succeſſoribus Noſtrum præfatæ Reginæ, concedimus, præfatis Aldermanno & Gardianis, Totum illud Meſuagium ſive Tenementum Noſtrum ac Firmam noſtram vocatam Frymles, *alias dictam* The Hollie Golfe Ferme, *ac unum Curtilagium noſtrum eidem Meſuagio pertinens, cum eorum pertinentiis, ſcituat' jacen' & exiſten' in* Mote-Strete *in* Baſingſtoke *in dicto Comitatu noſtro* Southanton', *modo vel nuper in tenurâ ſive occupatione* Willielmi Goodyer, *ac dictæ nuper Fraternitati, vocatæ* The Brotherhed of the Hollie Golfe, *infra Villam de* Baſingſtoke *in dicto Comitatu* Southanton', *dudum ſpectan' & pertinen' ac Parcellam poſſeſſionum inde exiſten': Ac etiam totum illud* Molendinum Equinum *noſtrum ac unum Curtilagium noſtrum eidem pertinens, cum pertinentiis, ſcituat' jacen' & exiſten' in prædicto vico de* Mote-Strete *in* Baſingſtoke *prædictâ, modo vel nuper in tenurâ ſive occupatione dicti* Willielmi Goodyer, *ac dictæ nuper Fraternitati ſpectan' & pertinen': Necnon totum illud Meſuagium ſive Tenementum noſtrum vocatum* Harriards, *ac unum Gardinum ſive Curtilagium noſtrum, cum pertinentiis, modo vel nuper in tenura ſive occupatione* Willielmi Hannyngton, *ſcituat' jacen' & exiſten' in* Northbrobe Strete *in* Baſingſtoke *prædictâ, ac dictæ nuper Fraternitati dudum ſpectan' & pertinen': Ac etiam omnes illas* tres Acras Terræ Arrabilis *noſtras, cum pertinentiis, jacentes in communi Campo de* Baſingſtoke *vocato* Northfield, *modo vel nuper in tenurâ ſive occupatione* Johannis Butler, *ac dictæ nuper Fraternitati dudum ſpectantes & pertinentes: Ac etiam unum Meſuagium ſive Tenementum noſtrum vocatum* Spicers, *ac unum Gardinum noſtrum, cum pertinentiis, jacen' in vico vocato* The Hollie Golfe Streete *alias dicto* White-waye *in Villâ de* Baſingſtoke *prædictâ, modo vel nuper in tenura ſive occupatione* Simonis White, *ac dictæ nuper Fraternitati*

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dudum ſpectan' & pertinen': Necnon totum illud Horreum *noſtrum vocatum* The Hollie Gotte Barne *in* Baſingſtoke *prædictâ, ac* centum Acras Terræ Arrabilis *noſtras jacentes in communibus Campis dictæ Villæ de* Baſingſtoke, *ac unum parvum* Clauſum Terræ & Paſturæ *noſtrum continens per æſtimationem duas Acras in* Baſingſtoke *prædictâ, cum eorum pertinentiis univerſis, modo vel nuper in tenurâ ſive occupatione* Richardi Marſam, *ac dictæ nuper Fraternitati dudum ſpectan' & pertinen' ac Reverſionem & Reverſiones quaſcunque omnium & ſingulorum præmiſſorum ſuperius per præſentes conceſſorum, & cujuſlibet inde Parcellæ; necnon Redditus & annualia proficua quæcunque reſervata ſuper quibuſcunque dimiſſionibus & conceſſionibus, de eiſdem præmiſſis, ſeu de aliquâ inde Parcellâ quoquo modo factis; adeo plenè liberè & integrè, ac in tam amplis modo & formâ prout ea omnia præmiſſa, ad manus præchariſſimi Fratris Noſtrûm præfatæ Reginæ* Edwardi *Sexti nuper Regis* Angliæ, *Ratione vel Prætextu cujuſdam Actus Parliamenti in Anno Regni ſui primo editi & proviſi, ſeu quocunque alio legali modo, jure ſeu titulo, devenerint ſeu devenire debuerunt; ac in manibus noſtris jam exiſtunt, ſeu exiſtere debent, vel deberent: Habend' tenend' & gaudend' prædicta Meſuagia, Molendin', Terras, Tenementa & cætera omnia Præmiſſa, cum eorum pertinentiis univerſis, præfatis* Aldermanno & Gardianis dictæ Fraternitatis ſive Gildæ *Sancti Spiritus* in Capella ejuſdem juxta Villam de *Baſingſtoke* in Comitatu Southanton' *& Succeſſoribus, eâ Intentione quod, cum Reventionibus eorundem Meſuagiorum, Terrarum & Poſſeſſionum & cæterorum Præmiſſorum, Aldermannus & Gardiani dictæ Fraternitatis, pro tempore exiſtentes, imperpetuum invenient unum idoneum Preſbyterum, tam pro Divinarum celebratione in Capellâ prædictâ, quàm pro inſtructione & inſtitutione Juvenum & Puerorum Villæ prædictæ: Tenend' de Nobis*

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ac de Hæredibus & Succeſſoribus Noſtrum præfatæ Reginæ, in liberam puram & perpetuam Eleemoſynam, pro omnibus Redditibus, Servitiis & Demandis quibuſcunque, proinde Nobis, Hæredibus vel Succeſſoribus Noſtrum præfatæ Reginæ, quoquo modo, reddendis, ſolvendis vel faciendis.

ET ulterius, de ampliori Gratiâ noſtrâ, dedimus & conceſſimus, ac per præſentes damus & concedimus, præfatis Aldermanno & Gardianis, omnia, exitus, redditus, reventiones & proficua omnium & ſingulorum Præmiſſorum, cum pertinentiis, à Feſto Sancti Michaelis *Archangeli ultimo præterito, hucuſque provenientia ſive creſcentia: Habend' eiſdem Aldermanno & Gardianis ex dono noſtro, abſque compoſitione, ſeu aliquo alio, proinde Nobis, Hæredibus & Succeſſoribus Noſtrum præfatæ Reginæ, quoquomodo, reddendo, ſolvendo vel faciendo.*

PROVISO ſemper quod omnes Reventiones & Poſſeſſiones prædictæ Fraternitatis ſive Gildæ non exponantur nec expendantur ad aliquos alios Uſus ſeu Intentiones, ſed ad inveniendum Preſbyterum modo & formâ ſupradictis.

VOLUMUS etiam, & per præſentes concedimus præfatis Aldermanno & Gardianis, quod habeant, & habebunt has Literas noſtras Patentes, ſub Magno Sigillo noſtro Angliæ, *debito modo factas & ſigillatas, abſque Fine ſeu Feodo magno vel parvo nobis, in Hanaperio noſtro, ſeu alibi ad uſum noſtrum, proinde quoquomodo, reddendo, ſolvendo ſeu faciendo: Eo quod expreſſa mentio, &c.*

In cujus rei, &c.

Teſt' R. & R. apud Weſtm' XXIV° *Die* Februarii.

Agrees with the Record, and is examined by me

HENRY ROOKE,

Clerk of the Chapel of the Rolls.

NUMB.

Numb. II.

An Inſcription in Holy Ghoſt *Chapel at* Baſingſtoke, *on the Weſtern Wall.*

An̄. Dom̄. 1670. Georgio ——
Edwardo Oppidi Præfecto.
Reverendiſſ. D. D. Georg. Morlæus Winton̄ Ep. Liberalium Artium Egreg. Fautor, hac Scholâ recluſâ per multos annos, tandem apertâ, alienatiſque diu Redditibus, pie reſtitutis, ſibi æternam meritus eſt de poſteritate Laudem.

NUMB. III.

An Extract of the Will of Sir James Deane, *Knight, dated the 19th of* Auguſt, Anno Domini 1607.

——I Willing to mind, that many Times heretofore the Town of *Baſingſtoke* hath been, and at this Time is, deſtitute of ſome good and godly Preacher, to teach and inſtruct the People there in the Principles of Religion, and to lead their Lives according to the Laws and Commandments of Almighty God. And alſo remembring, that the Penſion and Allowance that is given and allow'd to the School-Maſter that teacheth the Grammar-School in the *Holy Ghoſt* Chapel in *Baſingſtoke*, is too ſmall to maintain a good School-Maſter there. Therefore, to the Intent and Purpoſe, that after my Deceaſe for ever, a good and learned Preacher, and a Graduate in Divinity of one of the two Univerſities of *Cambridge* or *Oxford*, may there from Time to Time be had, and maintained for the Preaching of God's holy Word in the ſaid Town of *Baſingſtoke*: And alſo that ſome good and learned Man, being a good Scholar, and a learned Grammarian, may be there alſo the better maintain'd to teach and inſtruct the Children and Youth of the ſaid Town of *Baſingſtoke*, in their Grammar Rules, and other good Learning, I do give and bequeath to Sir *Henry Wallopp*, Knt. Sir *Francis Palmes*, Knt. Sir *Richard Pawlett*, Knt. *Edward Savage*, Eſq; *Henry Deane*, Gent. *William Moore*, Clothier; *William Herne*, Dyer; *William Parches*, Dyer; *John Hall*, Clothier; *William Blunden*, Clothier; and

and *Richard Spier*, Clothier; and to their Heirs for ever, one Annuity or yearly Rent of one and twenty Pounds of lawful Money of *England*, which I will ſhall be iſſuing and going out of my Mannour or Farme of *Aſhe*, with the Appurtenances, and to them or ſome of them, or their Aſſigns, yearly paid, in the Town-Houſe of *Baſingſtoke*, commonly called the *Motte-Hall*, at two Feaſts, or Terms of the Year, *(viz.)* at the Feaſt of the Birth of our Lord God, and the Nativity of Saint *John Baptiſt*, or within twenty Days next after either of the ſaid Feaſts, by even Portions: The firſt Payment thereof to be had, and made at ſuch of the ſaid Feaſts, as ſhall firſt and next come and happen after my Deceaſe; or within twenty Days then next enſuing; upon ſpecial Truſt and Confidence, that the ſaid Sir *Henry Wallop*, Sir *Francis Palmes*, Sir *Richard Pawlett*, *Edward Savage*, and other the Parties, to whom I have given and bequeathed the ſaid Annuity of twenty and one Pounds, ſhall and will every Year, yearly for ever truly pay, or cauſe to be paid, at the ſaid *Motte-Hall*, to ſuch Perſon and Perſons, that, for the Time being, ſhall be appointed Preachers and School-Maſter in the ſaid Town of *Baſingſtoke*, by the Appointment, Aſſignment, or Nomination of ſuch Perſon and Perſons, as is hereafter limited, twenty Pounds of the ſaid yearly Annuity or Sum of twenty and one Pounds; that is to ſay, to the Preacher ten Pounds thereof, and to the ſaid School-Maſter other ten Pounds thereof, at the two Feaſts, or Terms of the Year before limited for the Payment of the ſaid Annuity,—or within twenty Days next after every of the ſame Feaſts; the firſt Payment thereof to be had and made at ſuch of the ſaid Feaſts as ſhall firſt and next happen after there ſhall be placed a Preacher and Schoolmaſter in the ſaid Town of *Baſingſtoke*, choſen, nominated, ap-

pointed, placed, or allowed of by ſuch Perſon and Perſons, as I do herein nominate and appoint, *&c.* [*The other Sum of twenty Shillings, Reſidue of this Annuity, is directed to be laid out in repairing a Cauſey in* Baſingſtoke, *between the Angel and the Church Gate, by the Appointment of the Bailiff of the Town for the Time being.*]

And I will that — Sir *James Lancaſter*, my Couſin, ſhall have the ſole Nomination and placing of the ſaid Preacher and Schoolmaſter there to be placed from Time to Time, during his natural Life, and after his Deceaſe, that then my ſaid Feoffees before-named, and ſuch other as hereafter they ſhall eſtate in the ſaid Annuities hereby to them given, ſhall have the full and ſole placing, nominating and appointing of the ſaid Preacher and Schoolmaſter there reſpectively for ever. —— — — — — — — — — — — —

And whenſoever the Perſons aforeſaid, to whom I have bequeathed any of the ſaid ſeveral Annuities — ſhall ſo deceaſe and leave this Life, that there ſhall not be above the Number of three of them living, to whom I have given any of the ſaid ſeveral Annuities; then I Will and my Deſire is, that the Survivors of them ſhall, by ſome ſufficient Means in Law, convey and aſſure over to ſome other honeſt and diſcreet Perſons of the ſeveral Hundreds and Pariſhes aforeſaid reſpectively the ſaid ſeveral Annuities, or yearly Rents, to hold to them and their Heirs, upon like Truſt and Confidence, as I have above expreſſed, and to be convey'd from Feoffees to Feoffees for ever, to perform and fulfil the good Uſes above expreſſed.

Sir *James Deane*, Knt. gave ſeveral other Annuities, beſide this of 21 *l.* to the ſame Perſons, in truſt for Charitable Uſes; but they have neglected to appoint their Succeſſours, as the Will directs; yet the Annuities

Annuities are ſtill paid by the Proprietors of the Eſtate, out of which they are payable.

As Sir *James Deane*, was the Founder of the Lecture at *Baſingſtoke*, he had, without doubt, Power to appoint the Perſons who ſhould chuſe the Lecturer or Preacher; but ſurely he had no Right to give away by his Will the Patronage of *Holy Ghoſt* Chapel and School, becauſe he was a Benefactor to it.

Sir *James Lancaſter* has again, by his Will, *Anno* 1618, pretended to diſpoſe of the Right of Nomination, upon no more valuable Conſideration, than that the Bailiffs and Burgeſſes of *Baſingſtoke* may pay the Maſter forty Shillings; or four Pounds a Year, if they *in their good Diſcretion* ſhall think fit; or, if they pleaſe, nothing.

NUMB. IV.

An Extract of the Will of Sir James Lancaſter, *Knight, dated* April 18, 1618. *Proved* June 1618.

SIR *James Lancaſter* having granted and ſecured to Sir *William Cockaine*, and others, certain Eſtates at *Maidenwell* in *Lincolnſhire*, and at *Pamber*, *Hants*, *&c.* in Truſt, to the Intent, that the Rents, Iſſues and Profits, immediately upon the Receipt thereof, ſhould be paid into the Hands of the Maſter, Wardens and Commonalty of the Myſtery of *Skinners*, *London*, to be by them diſtributed and beſtow'd according to the Direction of his Will, does in his Will deviſe and declare as follows:

" *Imprimis*, I will, deviſe, appoint and declare, " that the Maſter, Wardens and Commonalty of " the Myſtery of *Skinners*, and their Succeſſours, " Maſter, Wardens, and Commonalty of the ſaid " Society, for the Time being, ſhall yearly, and " every Year, for ever, pay unto the Church- " Wardens and Lecturer of the Bailiffs of the " Town and Pariſh of *Baſingſtoke* in the County " of *Southampton* (where I was born) and to their " Succeſſors, out of the ſaid Rents, Iſſues, and Pro- " fits of the ſaid Mannour, Lands and Premiſſes, " one yearly Payment, of Sum of one Hundred " and three Pounds, ſix Shillings and eight Pence, " of lawful Money of *England*, to be by them " the ſaid Church-Wardens, Lecturer and Bailiffs " paid and diſtributed in Manner and Form fol-

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" lowing (that is to ſay) thirty Pounds, Part
" thereof, in every Year yearly, at the End of
" every ſeveral Week in the Year for ever,
" by equal Portions, unto and amongſt ſuch
" poor People of the Town of *Baſingſtoke* afore-
" ſaid, as they in their Diſcretion ſhall think to
" have moſt need of Relief, being People of ho-
" neſt Report, and ſuch as ſhall frequent to hear
" the Lecture at *Baſingſtoke* aforeſaid, at ſuch
" Time as the ſame ſhall be preached. And forty
" Pounds more thereof to be paid yearly and eve-
" ry Year (together with one yearly Sum of ten
" Pounds, lately given to that Intent by my Cou-
" ſin Sir *James Deane*, Knight, deceaſed) for and
" towards the Maintenance of an honeſt, ſuffi-
" cient and learned Preacher within the Town of
" *Baſingſtoke* aforeſaid, ſo long as ſuch Parſon
" ſhall be, from Time to Time, the Preacher
" there choſen and allowed by Sir *Henry Wallop*,
" Knt. during his Life, and after his Deceaſe, by
" the ſaid Bailiffs and Burgeſſes of *Baſingſtoke*, or
" by whatſoever other Name the Corporation in
" that Town be called. And alſo one yearly
" Payment of twenty Pounds towards the Main-
" tenance of the Free-School in *Baſingſtoke* afore-
" ſaid for ever, ſo long as the School-Maſter and
" Uſher there be, from Time to Time, choſen
" and allowed by the ſaid Bailiffs and Burgeſſes,
" or by what other Name the Corporation of that
" Town is call'd; and if any other ſhall be
" there Preacher, or School-Maſter not choſen
" and allowed by the ſaid Sir *Henry Wallop*, or by
" the Bailiffs and Burgeſſes, or the greater Part
" thereof; then the ſaid Maſter, Wardens and
" Commonalty of the ſaid Myſtery of Skinners
" ſhall have the ſaid yearly Payment, to be em-
" ploy'd by them in Works of Charity, accord-

" ing

" to their Diſcretion; and out of the ſaid Sum of
" twenty Pounds, there ſhall be yearly paid unto
" the Uſher of the ſaid School, for the Time
" being, the Sum of ſixteen Pounds, of lawful
" Money of *England*; and the other four Pounds
" thereof ſhall be yearly paid either to the Ma-
" ſter, or Uſher of the Free-School, or both of
" them, in the good Diſcretion of the ſaid Bai-
" liffs and Burgeſſes, for the Time being. And
" thirteen Pounds ſix Shillings and eight Pence
" more thereof, for the Maintenance of a Petty
" School-Maſter, to be choſen and allow'd as a-
" foreſaid, in *Baſingſtoke* aforeſaid, who ſhall
" teach little Children to write and read, but
" eſpecially to read and learn the Catechiſm of the
" Principles in Religion; and I will and appoint,
" that the Lecturer or Preacher of the Town of
" *Baſingſtoke*, for the Time being, ſhall once in
" in every Week come to the School, where the
" ſaid Children ſhall be taught, and there appoſe
" ſome of them to ſee how they ſhall profit there-
" in; and I will that the Scholars, both of the
" ſaid Free-School, and of the petty School,
" be preſent at every Lecture, which ſhall be
" preached at *Baſingſtoke* aforeſaid, whereby they
" may be the better inſtructed.

" And I do further will, deviſe, and appoint,
" and declare, that the ſaid Maſter, Wardens
" and Commonalty of the ſaid Myſtery of *Skin-*
" *ners* ſhall, out of the reſt of the Rents, Iſſues
" and Profits of the Mannours, Lands, Tene-
" ments and Premiſſes aboveſaid, yearly, and
" every Year for ever, pay unto ſuch three poor
" Scholars which ſtudy Divinity in the Univerſities
" of *Oxford* and *Cambridge*, or ſuch of them as
" the ſaid Maſter and Wardens for the Time
" being ſhall think good, to ſuch poor Scholars

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" (as they in their Diſcretion ſhall think to be
" moſt worthy of the ſame, and as they ſhall
" think beſt to prefer thereunto) the Sum of for-
" ty and five Pounds of lawful Money of *Eng-*
" *land* (that is to ſay) to each of the ſaid three
" poor Scholars, fifteen Pounds apiece *per An-*
" *num*; and that as any of the ſaid three Scho-
" lars ſhall be preferred to better Means of Liv-
" ing, or ſhall depart from the Univerſity, the
" ſaid Maſter, Wardens and Commonalty of the
" ſaid Myſtery, ſhall place and prefer ſuch other
" Scholars ſtudying Divinity to the Penſions a-
" foreſaid, as they ſhall think fitting in their good
" Directions.

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— — — " And for the Overplus of my E-
" ſtate remaining, that is yet ungiven, my Fu-
" neral Charges, and other Charges deducted, —
" I mean (if God give me Time to give Order
" for that under my Hand. But, if it pleaſe
" God, I be ſo ſuddenly taken, or that I give no
" other Order for that; I will, that this Courſe,
" herein taken, ſhall ſtand, and be of effect, as
" hereafter followeth: Firſt, my Meaning and
" Will is, that my Executors, Mr. *Joſeph Jack-*
" *ſon*, and Mr. *Leonard Parker*, do make a Pur-
" chaſe either of Lands, or Houſes in *London*, to
" the Value of thirty or forty Pounds a Year, and
" the ſame to be [**made**] over to the Corporation
" of *Skinners*, for the Uſe of theſe Things; *viz.*
" Firſt for fifteen Pounds a Year, for ever, to be
" given to the Poor of *Baſingſtoke*, to make up
" the thirty Pounds aforegoing, the Sum of forty
" and five Pounds. And alſo, in as much as I
" have formerly given the Sum of forty and five
" Pounds a Year, for ever, towards the Mainte-
" nance of three poor Scholars, to be preferr'd

" by the Maſter, Wardens, and Commonalty of " the Myſtery of *Skinners*, I will, that there " be given fifteen Pounds a Year, for ever, to be " added to the other forty and five Pounds, to- " wards the making up of the Number of four " poor Scholars, to be by them maintained.

The Bayliffs and Burgeſſes of the Town of *Baſingſtoke* were, by Letters Patents, *Anno* 17° *Car.* made a Body Corporate by the Name of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgeſſes of the Town of *Baſingſtoke* in the County of *Southampton*, which Name the Corporation of that Town now bears. As there was no Uſherſhip endowed, before Sir *James Lancaſter* gave an Annuity for that Purpoſe the Corporation of *Baſingſtoke* may have a Right to appoint the Uſher of the School. But the Crown has aſſerted its Right to the Patronage of *Holy Ghoſt Chapel* by preſenting Mr. *Webb*, *Anno* 15° *Car. viz.* 1639. There is no mention made of *Holy Ghoſt Chapel* in the Charter of the Corporation of *Baſingſtoke* granted two Years after this (*i. e.*) *Anno* 17° *Car.*

BRITISH MUSEUM

Other

Other Benefactions to Holy Ghoſt *Chapel and School.*

Given *Anno* 1666,	*l.*	*s.*	*d.*
By Mr. *Robert Holloway, per Ann.*	00	10	00
By *John Hall*, Gent. 1632. *per Annum*,	00	10	00
By Mr. *John Green, per Annum*,	00	10	00
Ditto, to Repair the Chapel, *per Annum*,	00	10	00

Mr. *Wigg* likewiſe gave a Legacy of one Hundred Pounds, but Part of the Money is loſt.

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